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tors were to be instructed to try to persuade uncertified Chinese and Japanese to leave the train at Indio, a point 130 miles this side of Yuma. The inspector would board the train at Mammoth Tank, a point 48 miles from Yuma, and proceed with it to the California side of the California-Arizona Bridge, where your orders would be put into effect upon those refusing to leave the train at the above mentioned places. All freight trains would be required to stop across the river from Yuma until they were inspected. In view of the possibility of some of the persons quarantined against refusing to leave the train, I suggested to Dr. Mitchell to have the coaches containing such cases uncoupled and the rest of the train allowed to proceed. I also suggested that the town marshall be asked to escort to the California side of the river any person caught evading the quarantine. As there are no Federal officers in Yuma I could not see any other course open. Dr. Mitchell was advised to keep himself posted as to the number and names of the regular Japanese and Chinese residents of Yuma in order that he might detect any persons previously rejected by him. I gave the usual advice to do what seemed best when a new or unexpected exigency arose. I explained very carefully to Dr. Mitchell that my suggestions were not to be allowed to conflict in any way with orders from you or from Surgeon Kinyoun at San Francisco. After explaining a great many minor points, I returned to this station.

Respectfully,

L. E. COFER,  
*Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

*Interstate sanitary inspection.*

RENO, NEV., May 26, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to forward herewith my daily report of duties performed for the week ended May 26, 1900:

May 20: Left Alameda, Cal., for Reno, Nev.; arrived 8 o'clock p. m. Telegraphed Surgeon General my arrival; awaiting orders.

May 21: Received telegraphic instructions from Surgeon General. Examined all trains entering Reno from north, south, and west, according to instructions. No Asiatics found on trains.

May 22: Four Japanese on train going east, all railroad workmen. Boarded train in Sacramento, Cal., no evidence of plague. Inspected Chinatown with local health officials; no evidence of plague nor smallpox found.

May 23: Inspected trains coming from north, south, and west. One Chinese passenger en route east. He came from Los Angeles, Cal. Did not pass through San Francisco. No evidence of plague nor smallpox.

May 24: One Japanese en route east. He came from San Francisco, Cal. Had health certificate signed by Surgeon Kinyoun, Marine-Hospital Service. Forwarded letter to Surgeon General of notice of my being employed as sanitary inspector Marine-Hospital Service by Surg. J. J. Kinyoun, Marine Hospital Service, and to proceed immediately to Reno, Nev., and report by wire to Surgeon-General, Marine-Hospital Service, from whom instructions by wire would be sent me.

May 25: Twenty-eight Chinese passengers examined on eastbound train en route for Canada. No evidence of plague found. Agent of these Chinese stated to me that these Chinese went direct from steamer in bay of San Francisco, Cal., to this train. All of these Chinese had health certificates of Marine-Hospital Service officials of San Francisco,

Cal. Two Japanese from San Francisco, Cal., both with health certificates of Health Officer O'Brien, of San Francisco, Cal., approved by Surgeon Kinyoun, Marine-Hospital Service. Rise of temperature in 1 Japanese noted 99.1°, a probable result of serum injection. No instructions received to date to detain all Asiatics coming from infected locality (as per wired instructions from Surgeon-General, Marine-Hospital Service) without health certificates.

May 26: Ten Japanese, en route east to work on railroad, examined. All came from Portland, Oreg. Did not pass through San Francisco, Cal. All free from plague. One Japanese going east. He had health certificate of Health Officer O'Brien of San Francisco, approved by surgeon of Marine-Hospital Service, San Francisco, Cal. Inoculated with Haffkine serum noted on certificate.

The number of trains which arrive here daily which I inspect are as follows: Three east-bound trains from California; 1 south-bound train (Nevada, Colorado, and Oregon Railroad); 1 north-bound train (C. and C. R. R.).

I respectfully submit the above.

Respectfully,

CHARLES A. MCQUESTEN,  
*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

COLORADO.

*Smallpox in State.*

DENVER, COLO., May 25, 1900.

SIR: Since my last report of May 19, 1900, I have the following cases of smallpox to report for Colorado: Merino, Logan County, 1 case, developed May 17; source of infection, South Park, Colo. Grand Junction, Mesa County, 1 case, developed May 14; source of infection unknown, probably Denver.

Respectfully,

G. E. TYLER,  
*Secretary State Board of Health.*

*Smallpox situation in District of Columbia.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 29, 1900.

SIR: Since my letter to you of the 21st instant, relative to the smallpox situation, there have been no new cases reported. Eight cases have been discharged from the hospital, cured, so that there are at the present time 3 cases of smallpox in this District, all confined to the smallpox hospital.

Respectfully,

WM. C. WOODWARD, M. D.,  
*Health Officer.*

FLORIDA.

*Inspection of smuggling smacks off Anclote Key, Fla.*

U. S. S. W. D. BRATTON,  
*Port Tampa, Fla., May 28, 1900.*

SIR: In compliance with Bureau telegram of the 24th instant, I went to Anclote Harbor on the morning of the 25th, reaching there late in the afternoon, and anchored in entrance of harbor.

No smackmen were in the harbor at the time of our arrival, but the very large fleet of spongers present led me to believe that some would get in during the night or the following morning.